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Dear Mr. Powers:

In confirmation of your discussion with Mr. [REDACTED] of this office on Wednesday, 18 February 1959, it is requested that the auditors currently assigned to the task of performing reviews of the books and records of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] be instructed to examine the details involved with the costs of contracts designated by the company records as Job Numbers 969, 972, 974, 982, and 996. The fact that this Agency is interested in these jobs is classified information and should not be disclosed without giving me an opportunity to get security permission.

The above undertakings are all extremely sensitive and pertain to matters of great concern to national security. The contractual arrangements and all payments connected therewith have been audited by a witting Government auditor and have been handled in accordance with the powers vested in the Director of Central Intelligence under Public Law 110, Section 10(b) quoted as follows:

"(b) The sums made available to the Agency may be expended without regard to the provisions of law and regulations relating to the expenditure of Government funds; and for objects of a confidential, extraordinary, or emergency nature, such expenditures to be accounted for solely on the certificate of the Director and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the amount therein certified."

I appreciate the need for the General Accounting Office to perform the auditing functions in the [REDACTED] and this request in no way is meant to imply that the other normal functions of the group should be limited, so long as they do not overlap the job orders referred to.

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Deputy Comptroller

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